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s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v379)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term $a = 639$, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{50}{71}\right)^{1/10}$, and $n = 10$ terms.

$$S = 639 + 616.98 + 595.72 + 575.19 + 555.37 + 536.24 + 517.76 + 499.92 + 482.69 + 466.06$$

We can multiply both sides by r .

$$rS = 616.98 + 595.72 + 575.19 + 555.37 + 536.24 + 517.76 + 499.92 + 482.69 + 466.06 + 450$$

What is the value of $S - rS$?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 8 + 8(5) + 8(5)^2 + 8(5)^3 + \cdots + 8(5)^{84} + 8(5)^{85} + 8(5)^{86} + 8(5)^{87}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.